

To remain in session for the full forty days is one act that the legislature may be fully depended upon for.

The measure before congress providing for a permanent census bureau operating under the civil service reform strikes us as a wise one. The present plan of conducting the census is too slow and wholly inadequate.

The supreme court in its decision against the constitutionality of the jury law has struck a decided blow against special legislation, which has proven such an evil in the past few years. If our legislators will profit thereby, perhaps they may be able to bring the session down to less than forty days.

The Lancaster Enterprise comes out this week as a weekly instead of a semi-weekly as for the past two years. This is the fourth county paper in South Carolina within the past twelve months that has made a similar change. Only one has made the change from a weekly to a semi-weekly. There now remain but eight semi-weekly county papers in the State.

Several bills looking to the restricting of the State are likely to come up at the present session of the general assembly. We are certainly heartily in favor of some action to this much desired end, especially if other counties are as much out of their natural districts as Fairfield is. There is no logical reason for grouping this agricultural county with Greenville and Spartanburg which are largely manufacturing and which have a population large enough to control the election in the district. The natural district for Fairfield is...

Smith of Monticello paper fame has gone out of business and left several hundred lady agents throughout the country without that \$20 per month which they were writing to so many of their lady friends they would surely get. His failure he says is due to the opposition he has met with from the press in the past few months. What has happened to Smith and to the Amos Owens Cherry Tree Company, must of necessity happen sooner or later to all the endless chain schemes, which are being worked in this and neighboring States, and that unfortunately through the very best of women as agents, who seem to lose sight of the fact that, even though they are now getting their salary, the time is sure to come when neither they nor the agents they secure can get what is due them.

For some time the national government has been making investigation of the soil in various States with a view to producing "a tobacco filler" that would compete with those imported from Cuba. It now seems that North and South Carolina are to be included in the list of States in which this examination of soil is to be carried on. While not the immediate section, where tobacco growing has been found so profitable, we most heartily endorse the proposed measure, for we feel sure that here in this State the government would find the desired soil, and that the State would be greatly benefited by this inspection of soil, not only for the more profitable growing of tobacco, but of many other crops. It is said that the experiments would cost about \$30,000 and would cover a strip of territory about one hundred miles long and ten miles wide.

It is proposed to take a census in Richland county so as to ascertain the number of persons liable to poll tax. This is a very fair proposition, but a far better plan is to be found in the practice of all the States in the

Union with the exception of six in taking a school census yearly in preference to distributing the school money on an enrollment basis. In this connection it is well to recall the fact that the State Teacher's Association at its last session passed a resolution calling upon the legislature to define Enrollment to mean a census of all those within the school age. Such a census does away with the present tedious enrollments, gives no opportunity for double counting, affords no opportunity for adding names to the roll merely for the sake of enrollment, and makes the number of pupils who are entitled to the public funds rather than the number who enroll the basis of distribution. What is better still such a census not only does not cost the district a cent but actual experience in a large majority of the states it has been found that the additional revenue added by the increase in the number of polls more than defrays all expenses in connection with such a census.

Dispensary Sales and Profits.

The following statistics have been given by Dispenser Stevenson as to the sales and profits of the local dispensary for the past two years. The figures are given by the months as they reveal something of the financial condition of the county, and in a measure explain the cry of hard times, with a great number at least:

Table with 3 columns: Month, sales for 1900, sales for 1901. Rows include Jan, Feb, Mar, April, May, June, July, Aug, Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec, and Total.

Total... \$25,394 95 \$37,653 17
The net profits for 1901 were \$3,816.23 against \$3,202.33 for 1900.

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Since the death of his wife several years ago his home has been with his only daughter, Mrs. J. M. Higgins. He was born near where he died, seventy-nine years ago. His remains were interred in the Rawls burying ground Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. Mr. Gladden possessed a bright mind and was well informed and successful in business. It was fortunate that in his old age he was in a home of patience, forbearance and solicitude. We extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

A Sudden Death.

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A Profitable Investment.

"I was troubled for about seven years with my stomach and in bed half my time," says E. Demick, Somerville, Ind. "I spent about \$1,000 and never could get anything to help me until I tried Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I have taken a few bottles and am entirely well." You don't live by what you eat, but by what you digest and assimilate. If your stomach doesn't digest your food you are really starving. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure does the stomach's work by digesting the food. You don't have to diet. Eat all you want. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cures all stomach troubles. McMaster Co.

The Monticello community was much surprised by the marriage of Mr. J. T. Turner and Miss Essie Zealy. With a friendly hint from their neighbors they drove to the parsonage, where they were joined in the matrimony on January 1st, 1902, at 6 P.M. by Rev. R. F. Kirkpatrick officiating.

The bride wore a handsome street toilet of velvet with applique. Mr. and Mrs. Turner went immediately to his home, where they will be in the future. Several receptions were tendered them.

Miss Zealy is a daughter of Mr. H. M. Zealy, a bright and accomplished young lady and in her circle of friends she is regarded as a very pretty and popular young graduate of Converse College. She has for several months been successfully engaged in teaching in the McCormick graded school, but at the time of her marriage she was spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. M. B. Martin, of...

Mr. Turner is a young man of sterling character and a progressive farmer. The Creek community is young and having its happy young people to friends extend their best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous voyage to the Sea of Life.

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Feasterville Marriage.

Wednesday afternoon, 1st, 1902, Mr. Willie C. Halsellville, Chester county, and Miss Lizzie, daughter of Mr. James K. Stevenson, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, Rev. W. C. officiating.

The party entered the parsonage at 10 o'clock. The bride and groom were followed by Miss Daisy Weir, Miss Isabelle Taylor, Mr. S. M. Estes. Last of the lovely bride and groom were beautifully arrayed in green degalines silk. The trimmings of rich satin and pique. The bride carried a bouquet of bride's roses and bridesmaids were costumed in black skirt and white silk. The decorations of ribbons and flowers. Immediately after the money the bridal party left for the marriage, at 3:30 o'clock, of Miss Bessie, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weir of Feasterville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. John A. W. The bride wore a costume of gray Henrietta and a cordion plating and chi. The bride carried a bouquet of white flowers. Bridesmaids wore costumes of gray and white and applied decorations of and ribbons. The present numbers left for the home of the groom. The writer went at an elegant supper. D. T. Weirs were of friends and were assembled to the coming of Mr. and Mrs. bride. Every one of themselves, an entire conversation was in the next.

Child Work. "My child is worth more than I could purchase," says Mrs. Mary Bird, Pa. "yet I would have a group had I not purchased One Minute Cough Cure. Cough Cure is sure of group and throat and An absolutely safe cure acts immediately. The can take it with entire ease. The ones like the taste. It how often it helped them. It should have a bottle of Cough Cure handy. At especially it may be needed. McMaster Co.

A few days ago Mr. Perritt and family consisted of wife and three children of crossed the little Pee Dee friends in Marion. On the turn the boat was upset and were drowned.

HEALTH INSURANCE. The man who insures his life is wise for his family. The man who insures his health is wise both for his family and himself. You may insure health by guarding it. It is worth guarding. At the first attack of disease, which generally approaches through the LIVER and manifests itself in innumerable ways TAKE

Tutt's Pills. And save your health. Note From Ridgeway.

Although Christmas and its joys is a thing of the past, the memory, like the scent of the roses, lingers with us still. Among the "good things" coming with the holidays was a delightful entertainment, composed of readings, music, tableaux and supper, for the benefit of the Baptist church, at the home of Mr. J. Monroe Wilson. One of the features of the evening was a hat trimming contest. Dr. Team proved not only a setter of bones, but a trimmer of hats, and won for himself the prize, one of Miss Sara Harten's five-pound cakes. Those who have eaten Miss Sallie's cakes know what good luck came to Dr. Team.

Mrs. Chivis Wray gave to her young friends a "last night of the year" party. The rooms and hall were decorated with Xmas greens, and brilliantly lighted. Not until the departing spirit of the old year had been tolled out of the bells, and the glad New Year ushered in with song and laughter did the guests say "good night and happy New Year." Mr. and Mrs. Wray make charming hosts.

On New Year's night the beauty and chivalry of Ridgeway and Bear Creek chased the "glowing hours with flying feet" at the hospitable home of Mr. R. H. McKelvey.

Mr. Charles Smith has moved into his pretty new house. Mrs. Boyd has gone to Ala- where she will remain for

Admiral Schley has had an interview with the president, in which he set forth his reasons why the president should not approve the finding of the naval court of inquiry.

George E. Graham, a war correspondent has written a book, giving an account of the battle of Santiago, which is endorsed by Admiral Schely, who has read the proofs.

Prof. Barnes, of Clemson College, has finished a gasoline engine for an automobile which he intends to make. It will be the first machine of its kind manufactured in South Carolina.

Mrs. Sallie Wallace died in Chester on Dec. 31st, in the 99th year of her age. She lacked but six months of being 100 years old. She was the daughter of a Revolutionary soldier, there are only three in the state left.

Congressman Elliott has asked the committee on appropriations to recommend the giving of \$90,000 to the Charleston exposition to pay the expenses of the government exhibit, and the committee has agreed to do so.

A resolution has been introduced in the house directing the secretary of the treasury to lend the surplus in the treasury to national banks having a capital of not less than \$500,000, the banks to pay interest of 2 per cent per annum.

Admiral Schley will be in Charleston on Washington's birthday and will make an address on the exposition grounds. He will be the guest while in Charleston of the Daughters of the American Revolution; as will also Lieutenant Hobson, if he can come.

For the first time in the history of expositions a separate building for educational exhibits will be provided at St. Louis. Under one roof will be collected a comparative display of educational systems and agencies from all the nations of the world.

Madame Nordica, the great singer who a few days ago appeared at Spartanburg for one night for \$1,200 was slightly injured in a railroad wreck near Rome, Ga., Sunday Morning as the result of a collision between a passenger and a freight. Several of the train crew were killed.

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The new pension budget calls for a decrease of five and one-half millions. Gen. Fitzhugh Lee is about to start on a lecture tour of the Southern States, his subject being "Peace and War in the United States and Cuba."

A new bank and trust company with a capital stock of \$250,000 is to be organized in Columbia with W. H. Lyles as president and Julius H. Walker as treasurer.

The Central national bank in Columbia has been consolidated with the Loan and Exchange bank, whose capital will now be \$300,000. E. W. Robertson is president.

The surplus in the United States treasury now amounts to one hundred million dollars. The available cash is about thirty million dollars more than a year ago.

Assistant Attorney General U. X. Gunter has rendered an opinion on the State law in which he holds that penitentiary convicts cannot be hired out for

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E. W. Groves. This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day. Town Tax, 1901. Notice is hereby given that the time for the payment of the tax due the town of Winnsboro for the year ending 31st December, 1901, is extended to 1st March, 1902. All persons owing the tax will be expected to make prompt payment on or before that date or executions will be issued by the Clerk. By order of the Intendant: JNO. J. NEIL, Clerk of Council.

SEED CORN. I have for sale Garrick's Prolific Seed Corn, the best of all the white varieties, and a fine early yellow corn, which I have planted for twenty years with the very best results. Can ship F. O. B. Rockton, or deliver at W. R. Rabb & Co.'s at Winnsboro.

Trade Winners. We have just received a lot of fine goods bought last July when prices were down. These are the celebrated "Nabob" brand of Leggett & Co.'s New York full 3 lb. can "Nabob" tomatoes. Lemon cling "Nabob" peaches in heavy syrup. "Nabob" sugar corn. Singapore Pineapple Chunks, large cans. California Evaporated Apples, Prunes and Peaches. Staked Dried Beef, chipped to order. Boneless Breakfast Bacon, "Gold Band," the finest ham on the market. Try a large fat Mackerel for cash. We give trading stamps for cash only.

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